Seminar: Surviving Bullying, Resistance and Connectedness was an Informative and Interactive Seminar given by Mr Sculthorpe (Faculty head teacher of the PDHPE department). Mr Sculthorpe informed us of the various programmes and methodology used within the school to teach and help the boys transition through their teenage years. The school runs a holistic programme, which builds the boys self-esteem, building a sense of worth and belonging through involvement at school, their environment and the community as a whole.

Homebush Boys teachings are based on the Wellbeing Framework that is Connect – Succeed – Thrive providing positive reinforcement and resilience.
http://web3.homebushbo-h.schools.nsw.edu.au/about/student-wellbeing

Ms Jessie Wotton from the Australian Education Union spoke at the meeting and informed us on the updates of the Gonski programme, asked for assistance promoting awareness of how the money is currently successfully being used in our school, pamphlets will be distributed.

The P& C Meeting:
Mr Kennedy reported that at the end of Term 3, various year 12 events where work was showcased. Year 12 Exhibition displaying year 12 visual art works, woodwork, Just Media showcasing digital multimedia, was also well catered for by the Year 11 hospitality boys.

- Year 12 Graduation Day was a successful day.

- Gas Installation in Block C and D has been completed, two of the demountables have been removed from the school grounds due to reduction of students.

- A new fence will be erected on the southern boundary which will stop balls from going into neighbours property.

- Confucius classroom teacher has arrived from China and will be working with our language teachers. The Chinese government has provided funding.

- 12 of our students performed in the Chinese Spectacular and our boys “did us proud”.
Mr Khurshed discussed Pink Ribbon Day on Friday and the guest speakers for assembly. The boys can purchase ribbons and a raffle for sports paraphernalia. Parents welcome.

Fundraising activities Family Portrait Day, November 15, the Cookbook Project will be put on hold until next year and a Letter for proposed Pavers celebrating 80 years will go out to families this term. Also the Special Contribution letter.

Other Dates to remember:

- Citizenship Day: November 5
- Next P & C Meeting and AGM: November 17
- White Ribbon Day: November 20
- 2016 year 7 Orientation Day: December 3
- Presentation Day: December 14

The meeting was closed with a shared meal, and informal discussion. Hope to meet up with you at the next meeting.